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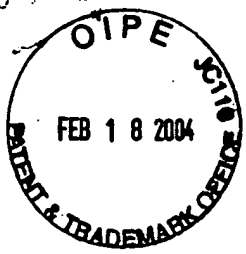
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All references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 were cited in the European Search Report for EP 1 181 866 and EP 1 184 030, and an English-language version of that search report, which indicates the degree of relevance found by that Patent Office, is attached.

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